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SUBJECT: CHINA NOW WILLING TO JOIN JOINT DEMARCHE ON CHAD/SUDAN

REF: A. STATE 26477 (NOTAL)
1B. BEIJING 977 (NOTAL)

Classified By: Political Officer Ted Lyng for reasons 1.4 (b/d).

11. (C) MFA International Organizations and Conferences
Department UN Division Deputy Director Sun Xiaobo told PolOff April 9 that "in light of recent developments" China has changed its position and would be willing to join a "joint P5 demarche" on Chad and Sudan (ref a) "if the P5 can agree on a text." Sun did not mention including Libya in the joint demarche but it is unclear whether this omission was deliberate. China had previously refused our request to join such a demarche (ref b). Sun said that the MFA would instruct its UN Mission in New York to contact P5 counterparts to negotiate a joint text.

12. Tripoli minimize considered.
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